

IN THE CLAIMS:

Examine claims 1 and 2 as attached to the International Preliminary Report on Patentability.

The following is a complete listing of claims in this application.

1. (original) Rail fastening for securing a rail (10, 100, 222, 224, 252) whose foot (18, 154, 258) indirectly or directly rests on a concrete sleeper (16, 104, 148, 226, 260), comprising at least one elastic clip (20, 22, 144, 184, 186) having several legs (28, 30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40) of which at least one leg extends inside a receptacle such as a shoulder (42, 44, 134, 236, 238, 240, 176, 178, 180, 182) or channel of a holder (24, 26, 142, 170, 232) that is connected to the concrete sleeper, and at least one further leg rests on the rail foot, where the holder (24, 26, 142, 170, 232) is arranged detachably in the concrete sleeper (16, 104, 148, 226, 260) and is connected to the concrete sleeper by a bolt element (82, 84, 214), wherein the holder (24, 26, 142, 170, 232) is arranged in an insert (64, 160, 200) comprising electrically insulating material and being cast into the concrete sleeper (16, 104, 148, 226, 260).

2. (original) Rail fastening according to Claim 1, wherein the insert (64, 160, 200) has in a plane running parallel to the surface of the concrete sleeper (16, 104, 148, 226, 260) a cross-section differing from a circular geometry and wherein the holder (24, 26, 142, 170, 232) positively engages in the insert.

3. (currently amended) Rail fastening according to Claim 1 ~~or 2~~, wherein the insert (64, 160, 200) has in a plane running parallel to the surface of the concrete sleeper (16, 104, 148, 226, 260) a cross-section preferably differing from a circular geometry and wherein the holder (24, 26, 142, 170,

232) positively engages in the insert.

4. (currently amended) Rail fastening according to ~~at least one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, wherein the holder (24, 26, 142, 170, 232) has a base section (56, 172) with shaped extension (58, 174) on the bottom and positively engaging in the insert (64, 116, 150, 158, 200).

5. (currently amended) Rail fastening according to ~~at least one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, wherein the shaped extension (58) has a cylinder disc geometry with a circumferential area from which emanates at least one projection (60, 62) and/or a recess.

6. (currently amended) Rail fastening according to ~~at least one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, wherein two shoulders (42, 44) each receiving a leg section (28, 30) of the clip (20, 22) emanate from the base section (56) of the holder (24, 26) and wherein the bolt element such as through-bolt (82, 84) passes between the shoulders, where the head (92, 94) of the bolt element is underneath the clip or its section resting on the rail foot (18, 154, 228, 230, 258) when the holder is connected to the concrete sleeper (16, 104, 148, 226, 260).

7. (currently amended) Rail fastening according to ~~at least one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, wherein the insert (64, 200) comprises a first section receiving the shaped extension (58, 174) and a second sleeve-like section (78) extending in the concrete sleeper (16, 104, 148, 226, 260), passed through by the bolt element (82, 84) and emanating from the first section.

8. (currently amended) Rail fastening according to ~~at least one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, wherein the first section of the insert (64) has a hollow cylinder geometry with two radial protrusions (68, 70) having a circular geometry in

section.

9. (currently amended) Rail fastening according to ~~at least one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, wherein the plate element is a ribbed plate (102) in which the holder (144) positively engages.

10. (currently amended) Rail fastening according to ~~at least one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, wherein the plate element is an intermediate plate (149) supporting a tongue rail (100) in its root area and having a through opening (156) with a cross-section matching that of the shaped extension (58), and wherein on the bottom a spacer element (160) comprising electrically insulating material is arranged in the through opening and supports the holder (24) or its shaped extension (58).

11. (currently amended) Rail fastening according to ~~at least one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, wherein the spacer element (160) has an outer and inner wall (162, 164) following a circular geometry in section and connected by radial webs (166).

12. (currently amended) Rail fastening according to ~~at least one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, wherein the holder (170, 232) is arranged between two rails (10, 100; 222, 224) running directly next to one another, wherein receptacles for two clips (184, 186) emanate from the holder, wherein the clips rest on a plate element (188, 242) adjustable relative to the holder, and wherein the plate element in turn rests on the rail feet (18, 154) of the rails.

13. (currently amended) Rail fastening according to ~~at least one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, wherein two pairs of shoulders (176, 178, 180, 182, 234, 236, 238, 240) emanate from the holder (142, 232), wherein a clip (184, 186) emanates from each pair of shoulders and wherein the plate element

(188, 242) resting on the rail feet runs between the two pairs of shoulders.

14. (currently amended) Rail fastening according to ~~at least one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, wherein the plate element (188, 242) between the rails (10, 100, 222, 224) running directly next to one another and resting on their feet has supporting surfaces with an inclination matching inclination of the rail feet (18, 154, 258) in areas which usually support clips.

15. (currently amended) Rail fastening according to ~~at least one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, wherein the holder (170, 232) arranged between the rails (10, 100, 222, 224) running directly next to one another has a base section (172) of block-like geometry and wherein the shaped extension (174) emanating from the bottom surface of said base section has a geometry rectangular in section with rounded corners that positively engages in the insert (200).

16. (original) Rail fastening according to Claim 15, wherein the insert (200) comprises a plane section (202) merging flush or almost flush with the surface (198) of the concrete sleeper (148, 226) and whose surface extent is greater than that of the base section (172) of the holder (70) and wherein a recessed area (208) positively receiving the shaped extension (174) of the holder is in the centre of the outer section, from which recessed area emanates a sleeve-like section (212) passed through by the bolt element (214).

17. (original) Rail fastening according to Claim 16, wherein the outer section (202) of the insert (200) has on the underside radial reinforcing ribs (204, 206).

18. (currently amended) Rail fastening according to ~~at least one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, wherein the insert (64, 116, 158, 200) is integrally cast in the concrete sleeper

(16, 104, 148, 226, 260).

19. (currently amended) Rail fastening according to ~~at least one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, wherein the insert (64, 116, 158, 200) comprises electrically insulating material.

20. (original) Arrangement for fastening of rails (10, 100, 222, 224, 252) having rail feet (18, 154, 258) and resting on concrete sleepers (16, 104, 148, 226, 260) in the area of a points or crossing comprising several clips (20, 22, 144, 184, 186) emanating from holders (24, 26, 142, 170, 232) with at least first and second legs, where the first legs (28, 30) of the clips are fixed inside one or more receptacles such as shoulders (42, 44) or channels (52, 54) by the respective holders and the second legs (36, 38, 40) of at least some of the clips rest on the rail feet, wherein first holders (24, 26) are positively received by first inserts (64) integrally cast in concrete sleepers (16, 148, 226, 260) and detachably connected to the concrete sleepers by bolt elements (82, 84), wherein second holders (142) are positively arranged in recesses (146) of plate elements (102) arranged on concrete sleepers (104) and are detachably connected to the concrete sleeper by bolt elements (84) and/or that third holders (24) are positively arranged in through openings (156) provided in intermediate plates (149) supporting heel area of a tongue rail (100), supported on the bottom by spacer elements (160) and detachably connected to concrete sleepers using bolt elements (82), and wherein fourth holders (170, 232) are each arranged between rails (10, 100; 222, 224) running directly next to one another, wherein the fourth holders are positively received by second inserts (200) integrally cast in concrete sleepers (148, 226) and detachably connected to the concrete sleepers using bolt elements (214), and wherein two clips

(184, 186) emanate from every fourth holder and each rest on a second intermediate plate (188, 242) arranged movable relative to the fourth holder and in turn rest on the rail feet (18, 48, 154, 228, 230) running directly next to one another.

21. (original) Arrangement according to Claim 20, wherein the first, second and third holder (24, 26, 142) are of identical design.

22. (original) Arrangement according to Claim 20, wherein at least one first holder (24, 26) emanates from each concrete sleeper (16, 104, 148, 226, 260).